

**CONTINUING APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER RULE 1.53(b)  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a

☐ Continuation      ☒ Divisional      ☐ Continuation-in-Part

application of prior pending Application No. 08/668,334, filed June 25, 1996,

For (Title): OPTICAL DISC, AND READING SYSTEM AND MANUFACTURING METHOD  
OF THE DISC

By (Inventors): Kazuo KURODA (Tokorozawa-shi, Japan); Toshio SUZUKI (Tokorozawa-shi,  
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1. ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney is:
  - ☒ a. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the parent application. (Used with the same or fewer inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application or (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter.)
  - ☐ b. A new Declaration and Power of Attorney. (Used with the same, fewer or additional inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application, (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter, or (c) a new specification.)
2. ☒ The filing fee based on entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment is calculated below:

CLAIMS IN THE APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY OF  
ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT NOTED BELOW

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	4 - 20	= 0
INDEP CLAIMS	2 - 3	= 0
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED		

\* If the difference is less than zero, enter "0".

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
	\$ 355	OR		\$ 710
x 9 =		OR	x 18	
x 40 =		OR	x 80	
+135 =		OR	+270	
TOTAL		OR	TOTAL	\$ 710

3. ☒ Check No. 306888 in the amount of \$ 710.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.
4. ☐ Cancel claims of the application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
5. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

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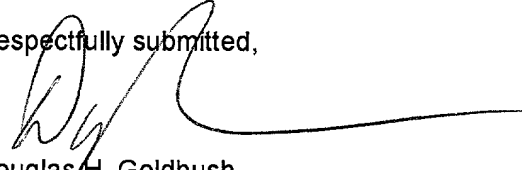
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--This is a ☐ Continuation ☒ Division ☐ Continuation-in-Part of Application No. 08/668,334 filed June 25, 1996. The disclosure of the prior application(s) is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--

6. ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-13) are attached.
7. ☒ Priority of foreign application No. 7-159645 filed June 26, 1995 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
8. ☒ The certified copy was filed in prior Application No. 08/668,334 on June 25, 1996.
9. ☐ A certified copy of the above foreign application(s) is attached.
10. ☐ Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. filed is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
11. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.--
12. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Pioneer Electronic Corporation recorded at Reel 8224, Frame 0683 on June 25, 1996.
13. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:
14. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
15. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449.
16. ☐ Small entity status:  
☐ a. A small entity statement is attached.  
☐ b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.  
☐ c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
17. ☒ Other: Notification of Change of Name and Address
18. ☒ The Power of Attorney in the application is to Robert B. Murray, Reg. No. 22,980; Charles M. Marmelstein, Reg. No. 25,895; George E. Oram, Jr., Reg. No. 27,931; Douglas H. Goldhush, Reg. No. 33,125; David T. Nikaido, Reg. No. 22,663; Monica Chin Kitts, Reg. No. 36,105; Richard J. Berman, Reg. No. 39,107; King L. Wong, Reg. No. 37,500; James A. Poulos, III, Reg. No. 31,714; Murat Ozgu, Reg. No. 44,275; Robert K. Carpenter, Reg. No. 34,794; Gregory B. Kang Reg. No. 45,273; Rustan Hill, Reg. No. 37,351; Carl Schaukowitz, Reg. No. 29,211; Kevin Turner, Reg. No. 43,437; and Hans J. Crosby, Reg. No. 44,634.
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